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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



RI, Northern VA, and VT

Prices were unchanged. The market tone ranged barely steady to weak entering the holiday weekend. Demand was light to moderate, best where limited holiday promotions stimulated additional interest at retail outlets. Supplies were fully sufficient to ample. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Breaking schedules in a full range of reduced to very heavy for the upcoming week. Light type hens were at least sufficient for the fair to fairly good demand. Processing schedules were noted as less than normal for next week.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL EGG Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were lower. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Cartoned egg sales were light to moderate with scattered holiday features stirring some extra consumer interest. Loose egg demand was moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for current needs.

to ample for current needs.			IA-MN-WI	Prices pa	aid to	
	RANGE	MOSTLY	producers	. Range	Mostly	
EXTRA LARGE	61-70	65-67	LARGE	38-45	40	
LARGE	61-69	63-66	MEDIUM	20-24	22	
MEDIUM	41-47	44-46	SMALL	11-13		

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged, however all asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending sharply lower. The market tone was weak entering the holiday weekend. Demand into all channels continued light to moderate. Offerings were fully adequate to ample for immediate trade requirements. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate for the light demand. Schedules for next week ranged from very heavy to a normal reduced holiday work week. Spent hens were at least sufficient for the fair to fairly good demand. Processing schedules were reported as less than normal for the upcoming week.

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EXTRA LARGE	68-82	68-72
LARGE	62-76	67-71
MEDIUM	43-56	48-50
NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, N	NH, Eastern NJ, E	astern NY, PA,

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment barely steady to weak. Retail demand was light to moderate with holiday features providing the best interest. Food service movement was moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for current needs. Central states breaking stock prices were lower. Offeirngs were fully adequate to ample for the light demand. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Many breakers schedules centered around a four day work week for next week. Trade sentiment weak.

	IVAITOL	MOOIL
EXTRA LARGE	72.5-81	74-77
LARGE	68.5-77	70-73
MEDIUM	48.5-57	50-53
SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR.AZ.CO.KS.LA.MO.NM.OK	and TX	

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL EGG Prices were unchanged, however values for next week's deliveries were trending lower on all weights. The market tone was weak entering the holiday weekend. Demand into all outlets was light to moderate. Supplies were fully sufficient to ample for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate for the light and unaggressive demand. Breaking schedules ranged from very heavy to less than normal. Light type hens were at least sufficient for the fair to fairly good demand. Processing schedules for the upcoming week were reported as regular to reduced.

	RANGE	MOSILY
EXTRA LARGE	68.5-76	70-73
LARGE	67-74	68-71
MEDIUM	43.5-51	44-48
SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Easter	n TN, and So	outhern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

<u>NEW YORK EGGS</u> Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was weak entering the holiday weekend. Demand remained light to moderate. Supplies of all sizes were fully sufficient for current trade requirements.

RANGE

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 RANGE

 EXTRA LARGE
 71-75

 LARGE
 69-73

 MEDIUM
 51-55

<u>CHICAGO AND MIDWEST EGGS</u> Prices were unchanged. The market tone was barely steady to weak. Retail and Food service demand was light to moderate, best where features were active. Offerings were fully adequate on all sizes.

RANGE MOSTLY

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EXTRA LARGE	67-75	69-71
LARGE	66-74	67-70
MEDIUM	48-55	49-51

WESTERN REGION EGG Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices for next week throughout the region 6 cents lower on jumbo, 5 cents lower on extra large, 6 cents lower on large, and 4 cents lower on medium. Retailer demand light. Offerings ample.

<u>CALIFORNIA EGGS</u> Prices unchanged. The market tone was weak with asking prices for next week 6 cents lower on jumbo, 5 cents lower on extra large, 6 cents lower on large, and 4 cents lower on medium and small. Retailer demand light. Offerings ample. Small benchmark price 61. No ads noted in Southern California.

<u>CALIFORNIA</u> California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms. **RANGE**

JUMBO	118
EXTRA LARGE	109
LARGE	101
MEDIUM	81

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS

 PER DOZEN.
 RANGE

 JUMBO
 92-107

 EXTRA LARGE
 90-97

 LARGE
 88-91

 MEDIUM
 68-71

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	279-349
EXTRA LARGE	219-309
LARGE	199-239
MEDIUM	199-205

CENTRAL REGION BREAKING STOCK All prices were lower. Offerings were fully adequate to ample with demand light as many potential buyers await lower trending prices. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Many breaking schedules were centered around a four day work week for next week. Trade sentiment weak.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	40-43	
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	28-34	28-30
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		

AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices were sharply lower when compared to early week trading. Trade sentiment was barely steady to cautiously steady. Demand was light and unaggressive for fully adequate offerings of light and heavy breaking stock along with some graded loose. Floor stocks were fully sufficient for trade needs. Breaking schedules for next week ranged from very heavy to a normal reduced holiday work week. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 26 June 2004 were 1% more than last week and a year ago.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSILY
BREAKING STOCK	38-42	39-41
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	25-32	26-30
EASTERN REGION AREA:		

AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 26-Jun-04 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

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	_	SES	LIQUID	LIQUID		DRIED	INED
	BRO	KEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,283,	772	30,963	12,148	6,427	2,821	4,490
PW	1,258,	034	29,959	11,952	6,566	2,872	3,991
LY	1,229,	918	29,760	11,355	6,307	2,507	4,282
% CH	G PW	2	3	2	-2	-2	12
% CH	-	4	4	7	2	13	5
	30,259,		715,768	291,763	161,463	68,613	104,055
2003	28,425,	172	695,111	258,441	142,230	57,194	103,560
% CH	G YTD	6	3	13	14	20	0

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.09	41.71	42.04
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.59	38.53	38.56

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 44 to 50 cents fob, mostly 48 to 50, with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady for whole egg, barely steady for whites, and steady to cautiously steady for yolk. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate for all liquid products with movement moderate to good in early week trading and rapidly slackening by mid week. Many processors were taking at least a three day weekend as their customers had slowed production schedules due to the 4th of July holiday. Breaking stock prices were lower when compared to last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00 AM non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

				CHANGE FROM
CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	LAST WEEK
WHOLE	3	44-46	45.00	.83
WHITES	12	46.5-49	47.92	-1.28
YOLKS	12	49.5-50.5	50.00	82

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher on sugar yolks, unchanged to slightly lower on salt yolks, and lower on whites and whole eggs when compared to the previous week's trading. Trade sentiment was generally steady on yolks, steady to barely steady on whole, and unsettled on whites. Demand was light to fair, with interest slightly better on yolk items. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 26 June 2004 were 2% more than the previous week, and unchanged when compared to a year earlier. Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb containers)

			LTL
TRU	CKLOTS	(MIN. 2	5 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	53-59	54-56	61-65
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		70-85
WHITES	60-70	61-65	68-75
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	58-64	59-63	66-70
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	56-60	57-60	63-73
(/)- Whole plus yolk plus sweetener, go	enerally 2	0-32% egg	solids.

<u>CENTRAL REGION FROZEN</u> Frozen whole egg prices ranged unchanged to 2 cents lower with whites 3 cents lower. Frozen sugared yolk ranged unchanged to 1 cent lower with salted yolk declining 1 cent from last week's reported prices. Trade sentiment was barely steady for whole egg, weak for whites, and about steady to steady for sugar and salt yolk. Most operators ran shortened breaking schedules this week and those with cumbersome inventories and fewer liquid orders opted to divert into frozen and dried inventories if these options were available. Offerings of frozen products were adequate to fully adequate with spot demand light.

Wholesale selling prices (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers)

TRUCKLOTS	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	55-56	
WHITES	61-64	63-64
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	59-63	62
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	57-60	59-60

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices 1 cent lower on whole, 2 cents lower on whites, and unchanged on yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 6/26 was 4% less than the previous week. Frozen demand moderate and freezer stocks adequate. Wholesale selling prices, f.o.b. shipping point (cents per lb. in 30 lb. containers) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	60-63
WHITES	68-71
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	66-69
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	64-67

NATIONAL DRIED EGG Majority prices were unchanged on yolks, unchanged to slightly higher on blends, unchanged to lower on whole and sharply lower on albumen when compared to a week earlier. Demand was only fair with purchases usually limited to immediate needs. Trade sentiment was generally steady with some expectation of improvement on yolks, cautious but about steady on whole, and continued weakness on albumen. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 26 June 2004 were 2% less than the previous week, but 13% more than a year ago, The total year to date dried eggs produced were 20% higher than a year earlier. Wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb., in containers, trucklot &

WHOLE	2.12-2.35	MOSTLY 2.22-2.35
YOLKS	1.40-1.60	MOSTLY 1.45-1.55
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	4.98-5.90	MOSTLY 5.25-5.55
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.57-1.90	MOSTLY 1.60-1.75

less-than-trucklot volumes.

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TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 25, 2004-JULY 01, 2004

	C	URRENT	LOADS	79.25		FUTU	IRE LOADS	41.25		TOTAL L	OADS	120.50			
	5	SE	N	E	M	IW			5	SC	N	W	S	W	
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	46.00	48.13	48.50	49.50	_	48.29	23.00	GNR BR 1	51.00	_		63.00		_	1.00
GL W J	_	_	_	74.00	63.54	_	3.25	GL W J	_	_	_	75.20	_	73.00	2.25
GL W XL	_	62.00	56.67	59.09	51.73	53.13	49.00	GL W XL	53.00	54.50	_	62.67	_	60.21	13.50
GL W LG	_	57.75	55.50	57.00	51.79	_	18.50	GL W LG	55.00	58.00	_	61.00	_	60.17	15.50
GL W MD	38.29	34.67	34.33	36.23	_	_	14.00	GL W MD	38.50	_	_		_	43.33	6.50
GL W SM	32.50	34.00	28.57	30.79	25.00	27.00	5.50	NRBS - 39	_	31.50				_	1.00
NRBS - 48	40.50	42.00	_	_	43.67	44.73	20.00								
NRBS - 45	35.00	38.00	34.00	_	34.00	37.17	5.00								
NRBS - 39	_	_	30.50	31.50	28.88	30.25	2.50								
NRBS - 36	· —	27.29	21.50	23.00	24.59	_	6.25								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL
WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS
(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER
CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

EASTERN REGION LIGHT LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to fairly good. Offerings of spent hens were at least adequate for trade needs. Processing schedules were less than than normal. Opinions on removal cost were generally steady.

REMOVAL COST 5-12 9-10.5

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of light hens. Schedules were set according to a measured call for finished product. Values required for salvage were expected to remain steady.

RANGE MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST TOO FEW TO REPORT

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings were adequate with demand moderate to instances good and better into rendering operations. Schedules reduced for next week. Trade sentiment steady.

REMOVAL COST

8-8

<u>WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN</u> Plants worked moderate schedules. Offerings adequate.

SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL

AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	70.00	69.00	49.00
SOUTHEAST	71.50	69.50	46.00
MIDWEST	66.00	64.50	45.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	75.50	71.50	51.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	70.99	68.76	48.08
Computed from simple w populations.	eekly average	es weighted	by regional area
populations.			

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Sales were too few to report on heavy canners. Light canners were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to at least moderate for lights; light to fair for heavies with limited supplies. Offerings were at least adequate Processing schedules were mostly normal. Trade sentiment was steady to at least steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)
(WITHOUT NECKS)

25.5-32.5 MAJORITY 27-28 TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS
(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)

HEAVY CANNER HENS
(WITHOUT NECKS)

27-34 MAJORITY 29.5-30.5 TOO FEW SALES TO REPORT

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 26-Jun-04 (PRELIMINARY)

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
_		THOUSANDS-	
HEAD	1,456	1,449	2,905
LAST WEEK	1,551	1,441	2,992
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,474	1,544	3,018
TO-DATE/2004	33,245	32,412	65,657
TO-DATE/2003	41,689	34,185	75,874

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA							
LIC	GHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS				
	THOUSANDS						
HEAD	253	0	253				
LAST WEEK	150	3	153				
SAME WEEK YR AGO	121	0	121				
TO-DATE/2004	6,082	72	6,154				
TO-DATE/2003	6,412	96	6,508				

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA						
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS			
HEAD	1,709	1,449	3,158			
LAST WEEK	1,701	1,444	3,145			
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,595	1,544	3,139			
TO-DATE/2004	39,327	32,484	71,811			
TO-DATE/2003	48 101	34 281	82 382			

Inspected Egg F	Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade						
U.S. Exports to	Canada, in I	Pounds (000)	(Preliminary	')			
Week Ending Ju	ne 19, 2004		Year-To-[Date			
TYPE	2004	2003 /1	2004	2003			
LIQUID	187	407	4,944	7,261			
FROZEN	0	0	11	63			
DRIED	0	25	345	256			
TOTAL	187	432	5,300	7,580			
U.S. Imports Fro	om Canada,	in Pounds (0	000) (Prelimin	ary)			
Week Ending Ju	ne 19, 2004		Year-To-[Date			
TYPE	2004	2003 /1	2004	2003			
LIQUID	277	118	2,829	2,587			
FROZEN	73	10	850	1,455			
DRIED	36	80	1,365	720			
TOTAL	386	208	5,044	4,762			
Inspected Shell							
U.S Exports To			-	• •			
Week Ending Ju			Year-To-l	Date			
TYPE	2004	2003 /1	2004	2003			
JUMBO	0	0	195	226			
EXTRA LARGE	960	893	40,975	9,728			
LARGE	3,910	4,410	84,627	43,629			
MEDIUM	870	750	35,696	27,472			
UNGRADED	6,900	6,120	149,754	33,486			
MISC	0	0	13,944	3,432			
TOTAL	12,640	12,173	325,191	117,973			
/1Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.							

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch.

<u>WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -</u> (INCL GOVT STOCKS) SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)

		FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM	06/28/04	3,400	196,687	57,034
AM	06/01/04	3,471	196,039	50,785
CHG		-71	648	6249
PCT (CHG	-2%	0%	12%

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT June 29, 2004 PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL	
MAINE	120	115	83	57	
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-	
NEW HAMPSHI	RE 113-117	108-112	76-80	50-54	
MOSTLY	115-116	110-111	78-79	52-53	
RHODE ISLAND	119-123	114-118	82-86	56-60	
MOSTLY	119	114	82	56	
VERMONT	120-123	115-118	85-86	-	
MOSTLY	123	118	86	-	

MOVEMENT OF EGGS I SELECTED	VEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS LECTED CW PW			June-2004 C HG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THO	THOUSANDS		LY
ATLANTA	23.5	23.1	2	7
BOSTON	3.8	3.4	12	12
CHICAGO	56.5	53.1	6	1
DETROIT	25.7	26.3	-2	-4
KANSAS CITY	3.4	2.4	42	-59
LOS ANGELES	95.6	97.4	-2	9
NEW ORLEANS	8.1	8.2	-1	-29
NEW YORK	29.3	28.6	2	-7
ST. LOUIS	16.2	15.5	5	-2
SAN FRANCISCO	21.5	21.6	0	0
TOTAL	283.6	279.6	1	-1
4 WK MVG AVG	288.6			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT	W/E 26-June-04
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)	

	CASES	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	230.1	1	10
E.N. CENTRAL	550.5	4	3
W.N. CENTRAL	286.4	4	-2
S. ATLANTIC	210.5	2	14
S. CENTRAL	59.2	-16	-17
WEST	189.8	-1	-2
TOTAL	1526.5	2	3
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		85	85
4 D E 4 O O O VE D E			

AREAS COVERED:

NORTH ATLANTIC (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MD,DE) EAST NORTH CENTRAL (WI, IL,MI,OH,IN) WEST NORTH CENTRAL (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)

SOUTH ATLANTIC (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) SOUTH CENTRAL(TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)

WEST (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

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